**Mysterious Disease in Chhindwara (Madhya Pradesh)**

1392. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDEY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the spread of mysterious disease in the district of Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh, claiming life of a large number of children during April-September, 1992;

(b) if so, whether Government are able to identify the disease; and

(c) what measures Government have taken to prevent the recurrence of the disease ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Effective Insecticide to Combat Mosquitos Menace**

1393. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received an effective insecticides to combat mosquitos menace as a gift from its French manufacturing firm;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the insecticide is used selectively almost leaving the malaria prone areas in the capital;

(c) if so, what is the total quantity of insecticides received as a gift since the beginning of 1992;

(d) the quantity issued for use in the various states;

(e) the quantity used in selected areas in Delhi; and

(f) the quantity used in the malaria prone areas in Delhi including Jhuggi Jhonpri and resettlement areas ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b) An insecticide namely, Deltamethrin 2.5% wdp, was received free of cost for undertaking field efficacy and field trials in different agro-climatic conditions under National Malaria Eradication Programme.

(c) No insecticide was received as gift in 1992. However, 39.6 MTs of Deltamethrin was received free of cost between 1986 and 1991.

(d) The quantity issued to various states was as under :—

| Name of the State & Qty. issued (in MTs) |
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| Uttar Pradesh—27.6 |
| Madhya Pradesh—2.4 |
| Tamil Nadu—3.6 |
| Gujarat—6.0 |

(e) and (f) NIL.

**Research and Surveillance Project of Indian Council of Medical Research in Manipur**

1394. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have refused to go along with 3 year research and surveillance project of Indian Council of Medical Research in Manipur to help control AIDS epidemic and also to stop the spread of the infection among intravenous drug users in the state;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

(c) whether the World Bank has made any financial and other commitment for the project, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the reaction of Government to the observations in the Press report which appeared in Indian Express dated 19th November, 1992 in this regard; and

(e) the details of International assistance made available/committed to Government for effective check of AIDS virus ?